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A Nebraska jury shook dice to see whether a prisoner was guilty or not guilty, and the court sent them to jail and let the prisoner shake his sides.

The Wheat Blossom.

Oh! give not way to selfish thoughts
When others are in pain,
Nor o'er rejoice at their mishaps
Because they bring you gain;
But rather kindly comfort give,
A friendly hand extend—
Think, should misfortune thee overtake,
How prized would be a friend.

A surgeon and a carpenter
Together walked one night,
The moon was full, and on the scene
Diffused her mellow light;
The road was long, and sore fatigue
Their limbs began to tire,
When, in the distance, they perceived
A hamlet was on fire.

The carpenter then rubbed his hands,
Exclaiming with delight:
"Look at you blaze! there grows my wheat!
It blossoms in my sight;"
For, while the raging flames arose,
He thought but of his trade,
And for each burning house he knew
Another must be made.

While gazing he did not perceive
A ditch as passing by,
But, heedless walking, quickly fell,
And instant broke his thigh;
The surgeon drew him from the ditch,
Began his wound to wipe,
And to the fainting man he said,
"My wheat's already ripe!"

JANET.

A WOMAN'S STORY.

It had rained all day a dull, depressing down-pour; but now, just as the day was ending, the sun saw fit to burst out from behind a pile of jagged black clouds, and flood the little planet below with crimson glory. The far-spreading sea shone like an ocean of flame, and all the western windows of the old farm-house were flecked with the crimson glory.

Janet Stuart stood looking out at the radiant western sky, her heart in her eyes. The red light went shifting in fiery lances through the thick masses of her blue-black hair, and flashed back from her deep, strong eyes. She stood there looking fixedly out at the lurid light, her back turned to the pair at the piano, talking and singing softly in the April twilight.

One of these was Miss Ingestre, their London guest—a delicate, fairy figure, not at all like Janet's; a delicate, rose-bloom face looking out at you through a halo of pure gold hair; the other, Mr. Etheridge.

Now the pair struck out into a duet. Softly and sweetly came across the room the delicious Italian song—a song full of passionate pain. Out of the western sky slowly faded the crimson sunburst, grayly crept up the twilight, palely gemmed with stars.

"Darkening!" Janet Stuart thought, with weary eyes, that never left the steel-blue sky. "Darkening—like my life!"

It faded entirely out, the last flush of the dying day. The stars swung in the blue-black concave, and a pale young crescent moon sailed serene up to the zenith. And still, while the day faded and the night came, the twain at the piano never stirred. Their low laughter, their half-whispered words, their soft singing came to the listener's ear; but she never looked at them. She sat colder and whiter than snow, her hands still folded.

"He promised to love me and be true to me always," her heart kept saying; "and see how he keeps his word!"

"In the dark?" called a cheery voice, and old Mr. Etheridge came in.

He was the owner of all the broad acres spread right and left, and his nephew, Ernest, was sole heir, for his wife had died nine months before, and there were no children.

Janet Stuart was his adopted daughter, of course, but she was to marry handsome Ernest and reign in the fine old homestead where her happy girlhood had been spent.

"In the dark, you three young owls!" called Mr. Etheridge. "Jennie, lass, where are you? Leave off billing and cooing, and ring for the lamp."

He looked over at the piano, and the two heads so close together there separated suddenly. A tall, dark figure rose from the window.

"I'm not billing and cooing, uncle."

Janet rang for the lamp as she spoke this; and Miss Ingestre fluttered off the piano stool.

"Oh! so it was you, little Eva, and not Janet. I won't have it. I want a wedding in two months; and you mustn't cut Jennie out."

The red blood mounted guiltily to Ernest Etheridge's face, but Miss Ingestre's musical laugh chimed softly through the room. Janet sat by the table, fixedly pale, her eyes bent on a book; but the printed page danced before those eyes; and Miss Ingestre's faint, sweet voice, chattering nonsense, with her blue eyes fixed on the old man's face, sounded in her ears like the rushing roar of a waterfall. By-and-bye some neighbors dropped in, and there was more singing, and some dancing; and Janet played waltzes and redowas, and quadrilles, until the midnight hour struck; and she toiled up to her room, too fagged in body and mind even to think.

But she was up early, for all that—up with the April birds singing in the scented trees outside, and down on the sea-shore, staring with dreamy eyes over the dancing sea. How bright it was, all sparkling in the glad sun-light, with the wind strong and sweet, and the fishermen singing as they cast their nets, and the noisy children, rolling in the warm sands, filling the air with their glad shouts.

"Oh!" she thought, "what happy creatures there are in the world! Men who love, and are never false; women who trust, and are never betrayed. And I—to think I should have staked on one throw—and lost!"

A man's step came crunching over the sand—a man's clear voice singing: "O'er the muir amang the heather," on the shrill wind. She knew both step and voice, but she never turned.

"Janet," asked Ernest, "I thought I should find you here! I know what heathenish hours you keep, and what heathenish places you frequent."

She never answered; her eyes were fixed on the far sea-line, her lips closed in nameless pain. He threw himself on the sand at her feet, and looked up with laughing blue eyes in her changeless face.

"My solemn Janet! What has come over you of late? Where has your sunshine, your sparkle, your youth, your smiles, your color gone? Tell me what ails Janet?"

"Nothing you would care to know."

He shifted uneasily; his eyes left her pale, still face, and wandered seaward.

"You know I am going to-morrow, Jennie?"

"Yes, I know."

"I wanted to speak to you before I went, Janet; that is why I got up at this unchristian hour and looked for you here. I don't see the necessity of hurrying our marriage as Uncle Etheridge wishes to hurry it—we are both young enough to wait. I should like to spend this summer in Switzerland and Italy, if you have no objection."

"I have none."

"And when I come back in the autumn, Janet, will you be my little wife?"

She rose up straight, and looked in his smiling, handsome face for the first time.

"No," she said, sternly, "I will never be that! Here is your ring, Mr. Etheridge, and here we part."

"Janet!"

He sprang to his feet, and stood looking at her in surprise, in a sort of terror—in nothing else.

"Here is your ring—take it! You will not? Then let the waters take it, less faithless than you!"

She drew the band of gold, studded with brilliants, from her finger, and flung it far into the sea.

"Janet, listen to me! Janet, good Heaven! are you mad?"

"I would be if I listened to you. Go, marry Eva Ingestre to-morrow, if you like! What is it to me?"

She turned and walked steadfastly away, leaving him there a petrified gazer. Straight up to her own room, there to sink down by the window, her arms dropping on the table, her face lying on them. Not in tears—not in womanly sobs, only in mute, deadly pain, weary of life, of herself, of the sunshine, of all the world.

"False!" her tortured heart kept crying—"false! And I loved him so dearly—so dearly."

The breakfast-bell rang. She rose up and went down, a little paler, a little stiller than her wont—nothing more.

Old Mr. Etheridge was there, bright and lively. Miss Ingestre was there, chattering like a magpie, her pretty ringlets freshly perfumed and curled, her roses at their brightest. Ernest was there, silent and sulky, but glad, if the truth must be known, that he was so well out of the scrape.

"She gives me up of her own accord," he thought, with a sense of injury; "nobody can blame me. I'll speak to Eva after breakfast."

But he was forestalled. After breakfast his uncle carried Eva off to get her opinion about some ornamental gardening to be done, and his tender declarations had to wait. Janet attended to her household duties, and then, with her work-basket, went and sat down by the open window. Presently the aching eyes closed in a dull, dreamless sleep.

With voices in her ears she awoke—voices that blended with her sleep, and that confused her. They came from the garden; the voice of Ernest, tender, pleading; the voice of Eva, sweet and clear.

"Marry you, Ernest! Good gracious me! what an idea! And you engaged to that solemn Janet!"

"She is engaged to me no longer; she has broken off of her own free will—jealous of you."

"And you want me to take what another rejects! Flattering, really! A thousand thanks, Mr. Ernest Etheridge; at the same time—no!"

"Eva! Eva! for Heaven's sake, listen to me! I love you with my whole"—

"Heart! Of course you do! And you will break it because I refuse! I shall be shocked and disappointed if you don't! There! don't coax! I can't marry you, because I'm going to marry your uncle! Now, the truth's out!"

Janet rose abruptly and left the window, fully awake at last.

"I never thought of that," she said, on her way to her own room. "I might have seen, but I never thought of that."

She kept her chamber until dinner-time, and then went down to preside at table with that fixed and stone-like face. Only her uncle and Eva were there.

"To think the boy should go off five hours earlier than he need," Uncle Etheridge grumbled. "Janet, how can you allow such capers?"

Miss Ingestre looked at her, a malicious sparkle in her turquoise-blue eyes, a malicious smile on her rosebud lips. Miss Stuart met the look steadfastly.

"Mr. Ernest Etheridge's comings and goings are nothing to me; he is as free as the wind that blows. But when am I to congratulate you, my good uncle?"

Mr. Etheridge stared—laughed—looked at Eva.

"So you have told her, puss?"

"I protest I have done nothing of the sort," cried the amazed Miss Ingestre, "but then she is a witch, and knows everything."

"Precisely. And when is it to be?"

"Well, since you have divined it, in three weeks, and you must be first bridesmaid, Jennie."

"With pleasure, Miss Ingestre."

"I'm afraid you'll find it rather dull during our absence, Janet," her uncle said. "We're going on a three month's bridal tour, and"—

"And I am going to London. My dear uncle, don't say a word, I have set my heart on it. My old nurse lives there. I will lodge with her; and, really, life in this stagnant ville is growing insupportable."

So it was settled; and duly the wedding came off. Eva the loveliest of brides, Mr. Etheridge the most ecstatic of old bridegrooms, Janet Stuart the stateliest and calmest of bridesmaids. Then they were gone—off to Paris to begin with, and Janet said good-bye to the old homestead, and was whirled away to the metropolis, where she was soon busy in the precarious venture of writing a book.

Another summer, and it came out, and was a brilliant success. Another, and a second followed, and Jennie Stuart woke up one morning and found herself famous. Rich, too, or comparatively so, and able to gratify the desire of her heart, and go abroad to fair, foreign lands, with an admiring party of literary friends. Once—oh! how long ago it seemed now—she had thought to wander through those storied nations as Ernest's happy wife.

So the world went round, and the years went by, and ten of those years had been counted off the great rosary, when Janet Stuart came back to her native land. Wealth and fame had crowned her; but she came back Janet Stuart still, true to that old dream, a saddened and lonely woman.

There were changes before her. Her uncle was dead; his young wife inherited all his vast wealth; the fine old homestead was for sale, and Earnest was—*where? No one knew*; he had gone out to Australia, having quarreled with his new aunt, and consequently with his old uncle; that was all Janet could learn.

Janet Stuart went back to the village of her girlhood, purchaser of the fine old homestead where her happiest years had been spent, and settled down among the familiar sights and sounds to contented old maidenhood. There were friends there still glad and proud to welcome her—and she could do good; and with her "gray goose-quill," and her piano, and her pets, she was happy.

She stood on the May twilight, under the sycamore by the gate, one radiant evening, six months after her coming, tying up early roses, and singing softly, when a man came slowly up the dusty road, and looked at the pretty picture. A man who was bronzed, and haggard, and weather-beaten, and but poorly clad—with his cap pulled far over his eyes—handsome blue eyes still. He paused at the gate, weary and pale.

"Janet!"

She turned round with a low, shrill cry, dropped the rose-vine, and caught both his hands, her face more radiant than the sunset sky.

"Ernest! Oh, Ernest, Ernest!"

"And you are really glad to see me, Janet?"

She opened the gate, her happy eyes shining luminous, and drew him in.

"Did you know I was home?" she asked.

"Yes—why else should I have come? But I did not mean to intrude. I only wanted to look upon your face once more before I went away again?"

"Went away? Where?

"Back to Australia. I am poor, and can do nothing here; there is still an opening there. And before I go, dearest, bravest Janet, tell me you forgive me for the past."

His voice broke down; the old love, stronger than ever, looked at her imploringly, hopelessly out of his eyes. She stood before him, her hands lightly on his shoulders, her dear face smiling up at him so tender, so true.

"You must not go; you must not leave me! Dear Ernest, I don't forgive—I only love you!"

Later, when the crystal crescent was at its highest, and the last lights were dying out of the homestead windows, Ernest Etheridge walked up the peaceful moonlit road to his hotel. But with, oh! such an infinitely happy face, and singing as he went:

"Ray I am old, and gray, and sad;
Say that health and strength have missed me;
Say I'm poor, but also add
Jennie kissed me!"

Wages of Restaurant Waiters.

A New York correspondent writes: The pay of a waiter in a first-class restaurant in New York city, like Delmonico's, the Brunswick, the Hoffman or the St. James, range from $20 to $35 per month, with board and gratuities, which usually amount to more than the salary. At Delmonico's Beaver street place there are eighteen waiters, whose wages range from $22 to $25; at the Broad street branch there are fifteen at the same salaries; at the Broadway house there are fourteen at salaries averaging $25, and at the Madison square restaurant there are forty men who get from $25 to $35 per month. The head waiters get $100 and $150 per month and board, all of them finding their own clothing. At the Brunswick there are seventy-five waiters at salaries ranging from $25 to $35 per month, and they usually make $1 or $1.50 a day in gratuities from the customers. The head waiters are paid the same as at Delmonico's. At the Hoffman and other first-class houses the same rates are paid and the same class of men are engaged.

A Blind Shipbuilder.—One of the most successful shipbuilders in Bristol, R. I., has never seen a ship, nor the waters on which it floats. He has been blind from infancy, yet this has not deterred him from reaching the foremost place in his business. By passing his hand along the timbers and occasionally rapping it with his knuckles, keeping his ear close to the wood, he can tell its imperfections better than any who have their sight.

AMONG THE LUNATICS.

The Queer Fancies of Men who Have Lost their Reason.

A correspondent who visited the Western lunatic asylum at Hopkinsville, Ky., writes: The doctor accompanied me through the wards. Through the different rooms the party passed in silence until the doctor produced a bunch of keys and unlocked his visitors into a large hall-way, through double trellis doors. Then the doctor said:

"Do you observe that man at the further end gazing intently at the walls? Well, you may make an experiment. He is just six feet from that wall, and yet I'll wager you can't pass between the wall and the man."

"Why?"

"Because you can't," said the doctor, "but I want to see you try it, and note the result."

With many misgivings the correspondent walked down, but when within two steps of the charmed line, the crazed man, without turning his head or his eyes, moved suddenly forward until his face touched the wall, leaving the correspondent to pass on the other side, and when passed, the lunatic backed on a bee line to precisely his old position, never once seeming to note the presence of any one.

An old man approached and began a conversation:

"I admit, now, that Cain killed Abel, but he wasn't responsible for it. You know he went over in the land of Nod and married, maybe, one of his sisters. Perhaps Adam didn't know anything about it, and perhaps"—

But the huge trellis door closed upon his argument, and the old man gazed out through the space and murmured: "Or perhaps the land of Midian, maybe."

Having reached the third floor, the attendant stated that we were now among the most dangerous characters, though the majority of them seemed peaceful enough just at that particular moment.

"Here is the hardest case we have," said the doctor, as he approached a young man with small, black eyes, and wicked look. After a few minutes' chat with an attendant, during which he exhibited no signs of the desperate insanity which at times calls forth the entire power of the institution to curb, the doctor looked at a crowd of loungers and called "Davis," at which a very small man, with red mustache and goatee, came forward.

"This man has a most remarkable memory," said the doctor. "Just observe that head. It bulges out all around the top, and his neck can scarcely hold it up. He is entirely uneducated, and yet can repeat everything he hears, no matter in what language. Now, Davis, your French."

And Davis began a long prayer with the purest pronunciation and unrivaled accent, all in French, of which he understood not one word. When he had finished, the doctor continued:

"He learned that of an old Frenchman who used to be in the institution."

"Want some English?" queried Davis.

"Not this time," replied Dr. Stone, "but you may name the counties of Kentucky, and their places of holding court."

This was accomplished readily and correctly.

Slang.

Slang is little else than metaphor, and comparison of a homely sort drawn from the farm, the shop, the mine, the forecastle, the camp, the street, or from any matter of common observation. A few random instances will be enough to make this plain: "To blow a cloud," "to flare up," "to cotton to," "to play second fiddle," "a chip of the old block," are expressions that need no explanation. Others, while similes, clearly, are not exactly understood, like "go to pot," which refers, it is said, to the melting-pot for refuse metal. Others gather rim, if we stop to think whence they come. No doubt a teamster cracking his whip over his four or six horses was the first to describe something weak or shabby as a "one-horse concern," just as, conversely, his enthusiasm for a fellow always ready to pay for the drinks, found vent in dubbing him a "whole team and a little dog under the wagon." New phrases are continually re-enforcing or superseding the old, but both new and old are of one nature. The gambler's lingo is used when a dead man is said to have "passed in his checks," and the gold-seeker's when a speculation is said "to pan out" well. Persons whose pretentions to refinement forbid their use of slang and of expressions which they think belong to the vulgar, have their own set of metaphors. To them the clouds are "fleecy," and the sunset "golden," home is "sweet," to part with friends is "bitter," and so on through a list which the reader shall be spared. Their speech is garnished with scraps from all the poets and from Holy Writ, instead of with proverbs. A glance at Mr. Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, grown in the last edition to a stout volume, will give an idea of the great number of fragments of prose and verse that pass from mouth to mouth like the pipe around an Indian council fire. Children, too, as well as their elders, indulge a liking for figurative talk, particularly for slang, a taste they often keep until well on in years.

A "Chew" for the Queen.—A story is told of the late queen of Holland, who encountered one day on the high road a soldier making frantic efforts to light his pipe. "There," said she, giving him some money, "buy good tobacco." "It is the queen," whispered an equerry in the soldier's ear. The latter mumbled out some thanks, when the queen remarked: "I fear the regulation tobacco is not good." The soldier opened his pouch, placed some weed in her majesty's hand, adding: "Just taste that stuff, ma'am."

FINGER RINGS.

Their Use and Significance—The Historical Romance of Rings.

The ring has for many ages formed a part of ecclesiastical insignia. It appears to have had a two-fold purpose and signification—the one as a mark of dignity and authority and the other symbolic of the mystical union between the priesthood and the church. Prominent among these ecclesiastical rings are those worn by the pope and bishops in a variety of shapes and ornamentation. The pope uses a ring for the purpose of affixing his signature to any documents. The most types of pontifical rings are massive hooks, with the crossed keys engraved upon them. In early times they were made of gilt bronze and set with precious stones.

Great importance is attached to Episcopal rings, which form a part of ecclesiastical investiture. They are generally set with a sapphire or a ruby, but their shape varies considerably.

Rings as pledges of betrothal and wedding gifts are of very ancient origin. The Romans used iron as a material for their rings; this metal was chosen as symbolic of the lasting character of the engagement.

The ring was not used among Christians until the year 800. The plain gold wedding rings which are the fashion among Anglo-Saxon nations came to us from the Saxons. A curious variety of the old wedding ring is the jimmel or gemmon ring, consisting of two or more links, some plain, others elaborately ornamented and engraved with sacred inscriptions. Most curious in shape are the large and elaborately ornamented betrothal and marriage rings in use among the Hebrews. The summit of hoops is generally surmounted by a small temple or pyramid shaped tower opening upon a hinge and representing the ark of the covenant. They are made for the use of the synagogue, and are placed on the fingers of the couple at a certain part of the marriage rite.

Many romantic tales are connected with ring tokens. For Englishmen one of the most interesting ring tokens is that which Queen Elizabeth is said to have given to the Earl of Essex "in token of esteem," with the intimation that if he ever forfeited her favor and it should be sent back to her, the sight of it would insure his forgiveness.

Regard rings are of French origin. On them words are inscribed by means of the initials of the precious stones with which they are set in.

The Prince of Wales, on his marriage to the Princess Alexandra, gave her as a keeper a ring set with beryl, emerald, ruby, turquoise, jacinth and emerald again, spelling thus his familiar name, Bertie.

Of remarkable rings there are several worthy of description. The gold signet ring of Mary Queen of Scots is one of them, and is described as being on the face with the motto, "*In defens*," and her initials, M. R. In the inner side of the seal a crowned monogram is engraved, formed of the letters M. and A. (for Mary and Albany), referring to the title of Lord Darnley as Duke of Albany.

The ring of Henry, Lord Darnley, is also preserved in the South Kensington museum. It bears the two initials: "M. and H.," united by a lover's knot. In the hoop is the name engraved: "Henri L. Darnley," and the year of the marriage, 1565.

Shakespeare's signet ring is of tolerably large size, and evidently a gentleman's ring of Elizabeth's time. No positive proof can be adduced as to the authenticity of the ring having belonged to Shakespeare, yet it is accepted as such, having been found in 1810 by a laborer's wife upon the surface near the mill adjoining Stratford churchyard. The ring is now in the Shakespeare museum of the town.

Fashion Notes.

"Sorrel-green" is the newest tint seen in many imported dresses.

Tinted or delicate shades of organdie are worn over silk of a deep color.

Arrows of dark blue enamel a half-inch long, the feather end being jewel-studded, are the latest design for ear-rings.

Black silk bonnets are imported to take the place of felt ones for fall.

Shade hats of braided corn-shucks are brought from Florida, and worn at country resorts.

Parasols are made to match each suit, percale and batiste dresses having their own parasols as well as the popular bunting.

Many of the fall costumes are made with square necks, to be worn over chemisettes, which are again coming into favor.

A single loop of colored ribbon sewed on white muslin dress-skirts is passed over the hand of the wearer to hold up the train.

Ladies' dress is taking on masculine styles again. Linen shirts with gold studs, and Marseilles vests form part of the newest summer toilets.

A toilette for a little girl, age seven to eight years, has the robe Princess Royal composed of rose pink toile batiste, garnished with lines of narrow galoon, the design over a much deeper shade, and at the bottom a plaited narrow flounce. At the side a pocket, garnished with a bow of faille. Sleeves trimmed to match the skirt. Hat of white straw trimmed with white muslin, and garnished with rose faille and feathers.

A walking or seaside toilette is composed of marine blue percale. The skirt trained, and trimmed with three flounces at the back. The Duchesse tablier, trimmed with white guipure lace. Corsage Marie, open in front, and garnished with a Medicis collar, edged with lace. A bow in front, as well as on the open sleeves, which are trimmed with plaitings and folds. Hat of straw, trimmed with muslin and flowers.

Items of Interest.

A buzz saw—The sting of a bee.

St. Louis is shipping horses to England.

A slight of hand performance—Giving the mitten.

Potatoes are so plenty in Kansas as to be hardly worth marketing.

The Prohibitionists of Wisconsin have put a full ticket for State officers in the field.

The total production of rosin in this country last year amounted to 250,000,000 pounds.

The fashionable male shirt collar is gradually decreasing in height. A young man can now pass under a telegraph wire without ducking his head.

The horse is a noble animal; yet he has an unpleasant way of slipping down his hoof in a mud puddle just when a fellow is going by in his duck pantaloons.

As Gen. Tecumseh Sherman-Sheridan was leaving for the wars, his sweetheart remarked to him, in tears: "Though I no more behold thee, yet in thy name a spell."

A man in Hopkinton, N. H., was so shocked by the news of the drowning of his son that he was cured of a severe attack of rheumatism, from which he had long suffered.

"The ring suits," says a Brooklyn paper. Glad to hear it. That's what the young lady wrote when she received a solitaire diamond by mail from her betrothed.

The Roumanians are one of the most mixed races on earth. They are partly Roman, partly Gothic, partly Magyar, partly Sclavic and partly to a small extent Tartar.

The Chinese have gone into the hair business, and last year exported 183,000 pounds from Swatow alone—a seven-fold increase in two years. It is gathered in barber shops.

A man in Cincinnati has a son whose hair curls just before a rain. He says that he has noticed this phenomenon for the last two years, and has never known it to fail to indicate rain.

A morning paper has the following advertisement: "A good general servant wanted, who understands plain cooking and making butter in a small family." Far better make it in a churn.

When a tramp walked into a clothing store and asked for a new suit of clothes on credit, and it was denied, he solemnly warned the proprietor that it was such conduct that was "paralyzing trade."

At the present moment 4,000,000 Hindoos and 100,000 Mohammedan children are attending schools in India, and 50,000 to 60,000 of them are receiving instruction up to the English University standard.

"You are a clever fellow," said a counsel to an adverse witness. "I would gladly return the compliment if I were not upon oath," was the reply with which the witness brought the cross-examination to a speedy close.

The Andes is a continuous chain of mountains 4,000 miles in length, often of double and triple parallel ridges, at a mean height of 11,000 feet, with great active volcanoes, and numerous peaks varying from 18,000 to 24,000 feet in height.

The death of two great ones of the earth is announced—Ruth Benton, of Wisconsin, aged fifty-four; height, seven feet four inches; weight, 585 pounds, and Modeste Malhiot, of Quebec, aged sixty-eight; height, six feet eight inches; weight, 618 pounds.

For hugging propensities the proverbial bear is beaten by the many-armed star fish. The weakness of the star is oysters, about whom he folds his arms, loving, choking the bivalve in his own liquor. They have made many unsound oysters along Long Island sound this season.

The Indian Brahmins neither eat nor kill any sort of animals, and it is certain they have not done it for more than two thousand years. Their pagoda is a Brahminical temple, built very massively and elevated, but has a very small interior. Near the door is a block used for beheading criminals.

A commercial traveler, by mistake, handed a merchant, upon whom he had called, a portrait of his betrothed instead of his business card, saying that he represented that establishment. The merchant examined it carefully, remarked that it was a fine establishment, and returned it to the astonished and blushing traveler, saying: "I hope that you will soon be admitted into partnership."

The Fall Trade.

The New York *Evening Post* says: The newspapers published at the leading business centers of the country speak favorably of the prospects of the autumn trade. Within a week trade has taken a fresh start. This is, to some extent, the natural rebound from the compulsory dead-lock consequent upon the interruption of transportation by the strike on the railroads; but at the same time there is satisfactory evidence of the beginning of the regular early autumn trade, with accompanying indications that the trade will be a large and healthy one all through the country. It is too early in the season yet to expect special activity in the merchandise markets here; still goods are going forward to distributing points in the interior in no inconsiderable quantities, and before the end of the month there is every reason for expecting that all the leading branches of trade will be actively employed. The existing conditions all point in that direction. The stock of goods here is not large; the interior country as a rule is what may be called bare of goods; and the large crops will furnish the means wherewith to pay for what may be needed in the way of goods or commodities.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 1877.

Meeting of the Republican State Convention.

HEADQUARTERS REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE.
HARRISBURG, JULY 12, 1877.

By direction of the Republican State Committee, the Republican State Convention heretofore called to meet on the 29th day of August next, is hereby postponed, to meet at Harrisburg, at noon, on Wednesday, September 5, 1877. This postponement is made at the request of a large number of delegates elect, who have engagements to be present at a triennial conclave of Knights Templar, which assembles at Cleveland, Ohio, on the 29th day of August next.

By order of Committee.

HENRY M. HOYT, Chairman.
A. WILSON NORRIS, Secretary.

Political Announcements.

ED. MINER.—Please announce that I am a candidate for the office of County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention. W. D. GALLUP.

Smethport, Aug. 24, 1877.

A NEW and "reliable democratic newspaper" is soon to be issued in Williamsport. It will be somewhat of a curiosity to that people.

DURING the year just closed the United States sold 105,000,000 yards of cotton goods abroad, ten times more than was exported the year before.

SEPTEMBER 6th is the last day on which voters can be registered in order to vote at the next election. Assessors are required to have their lists at the Commissioners' Office on Friday, September 7th.

THE Pennsylvania Republican Association of Washington, in obedience to the President's order, have disbanded and appropriated the funds on hand to the Pennsylvania Orphan School.

IN another column the Chairman of the County Committee calls a meeting of the members for the transaction of important business. Every member should attend who can make it convenient to do so.

PRESIDENT HAYES and some of his Cabinet are taking another trip to the Eastern States. He turns out to be as much or more of a traveler than Grant, if he don't go to Long Branch.

IF Mr. Murat Halsted has read what Judge West said in his speech about the silver dollar it is entirely within reason to say that Mr. Halstead is about the maddest man in Ohio.

EX-SPEAKER RANDALL has been interviewed by a reporter of a Texas paper and practically committed himself in favor of the Texas Pacific subsidy. There is nothing like knowing on which side your bread is buttered.

PROF. GOLDWIN SMITH retired to his study and thought the matter over, and has finally concluded that constitutional government can be carried on without parties. That settles it, and both parties may as well disband.

FOUR of the Philadelphia soldiers, on their return home, found that they had been discharged by their employers during their absence. Philadelphia appears in this, as in many other respects, to be fully as mean as New York.

THE Maine Democrat is as solemn as his brother in Ohio. The tremendous respectability of the head of the ticket is what oppressed him. He tries to warm himself up to the work of the canvass, but the effort is as vain as it is laborious. The party never did enjoy voting for an old Republican and never will.

WE venture that the attempt to make a communist out of Judge West, of Ohio, through the misinterpretation of his speech, will prove a failure. He is simply a man of the people, not wealthy, and not afraid to say so. He has fully explained, since his speech, that has been so unfairly criticised, that he did not mean to antagonize labor and capital, but to suggest mutual and friendly accomodations between them.

THE Chicago Tribune figures out that the northwest will have sixty million bushels more of wheat to sell this year than in 1876, and that the ability of the northwestern farmers to buy goods will be at least sixty per cent. greater than last year. It therefore argues that we may legitimately expect trade to improve, industry to revive, the values of real estate and other property return to something near the figures of five years ago—in brief, that we are to have better times. So may it be.

THE Cincinnati Commercial is swinging the meat axe with considerable energy these days. Blaine and Conkling are the special objects of its wrath. These gentlemen are not kicking against the administration, but are not bowing their necks to the collar just as gracefully as might be desired, hence in view of the coming meeting of Congress they need a little discipline, and the Commercial is selected to bestow it. The two Senators will be very likely to survive it all, and to be quite as vigorous three years hence as the crowd the Commercial shouts for.

Chronically Unhappy.

From the New York Tribune.

Inspection of many Democratic platforms adopted since March last warrants the conclusion that the old distinction between parties still prevails. It was said years ago, with a great deal of truth, that the Democratic party differed from others mainly in having eyes in the back of its head. Unable to see anything in front of itself, going through the world blindly, smashing itself against all sorts of obstacles, denied prescience of the future or comprehension of the present, the Democratic party existed as an ill-tempered, unavailing, stubborn and stupid protest against the past. Often its criticism of bygone events was sensible, often senseless; occasionally it was right, but more often wrong, in regard to events of the present or future; but its principal and distinguishing function in life was to find fault because the doings of yesterday had not been to its satisfaction. Chronic opposition to everything new or useful or practical; chronic unhappiness about every step forward, and every effort for the improvement of the country or the race; these were the qualities which made the Democratic party well known as the brake on the car of human progress. At present Democracy is wretched because the Presidential election was settled by legal and peaceful means, and did not disgrace self-government by anarchy or deluge the land with blood.

According to Democratic platforms, Mr. Hayes was not elected, and his inauguration was the monumental fraud of the country, and every Democrat ought to sit back on his haunches and howl about it for a century to come. On the whole, the American people have some practical common sense, and they are not much inclined to waste time in asking whether this howl is with or without reason. During the Presidential election, the Democratic managers did what they could, by fair means or foul, to secure a majority of Electoral votes, and it is not now a matter of doubt that they secured some by most brutal, cruel, unlawful and revolutionary means. Yet there was a grave doubt as to the result. Had the decision been left to the competent authority, no one believes that it would have been favorable to Democratic pretensions, and the Democrats therefore demanded an extraordinary and extra-constitutional tribunal for the settlement of the disputed questions. Some Republicans thought it wise to humor them; others objected that there would be as loud and as long a howl raised by Democrats if the disputed questions should be settled by any tribunal conceivable, as if those questions should be settled by the Vice President of the Senate. The spirit of compromise prevailed, however. The tribunal demanded by Democrats was created, and its decision is now undisputed in law or in fact. But Democratic conventions solemnly call upon Democratic voters to lie back and howl because the decision of tribunal of their own creating was not in their favor.

Meanwhile the Republican party is paying attention, sometimes wisely and sometimes unwisely, to the living questions of the present and future. It is not always wise, but it is never and nowhere so incomparably stupid, so inexpressibly idiotic, so phenomenally contemptible and ridiculous, as to carry its eyes in the back of its head. It wastes no breath in growling about past defeats; its better elements waste more in boasting about past victories. Especially, it is nowhere so absurd as to whine or howl about the unsatisfactory decision of a tribunal created at its own demand. The Democratic party has a monopoly of that extreme stupidity, and its place in American history is fixed once more by the contempt which practical men feel for its behavior. Business prays for relief. Capital and labor struggle. Justice joins issue, foot to foot, with repudiation. The whole land cries for measures of practical benefit to trade and industry. But the Democratic politician sits himself down and howls because a tribunal of his own creating did not decide according to his wish.

THERE is music in the air at Harrisburg this week, caused by the meeting of the democratic clans to put in nomination their candidates for State officers to be elected this fall. Next to the question who will be nominated, the prudent wording of the platform causes a great deal of uneasiness. The choice of candidate for State Treasurer seems the most exciting question before the Convention. The chief contestants are Noyes, of Clinton, and Barr, of Allegheny. Although the McKean democracy have given Noyes the cold shoulder, after their numerous protestations of support, his chances are considered a little the best. We shall see.

— The Vicksburg (Miss.) Herald is very sure that Gov. Stone could get 10,000 effective militiamen in a week for any legal purpose. And yet he has never been able to bring the Kemper County assassins to justice.

The Re-Organized Democracy.

The New York *World*, which advocates free trade as the policy of the United States, in a recent editorial on the labor question, makes the following announcements to the laboring classes in this country:

"The American laborer must make up his mind henceforth not to be so much better off than the European laborer. Men must be content to work for less wages, * * In this way the workingman will be nearer to that station in life to which it has pleased God to call him."

If the New York *World* had written columns every day of deliberate attack upon the laboring men of the country, and told them in plain words that labor was a condition of servitude in which those compelled to resort to it as a means of making a livelihood, must be content to be treated as slaves, it could not have better stated the true position of the Democratic party than it has in what we quote. Mr. James Buchanan once declared that ten cents a day was sufficient for any laboring man's work. Then the enormity of his estimate of the worth of labor aroused the indignant sentiments of the people, he endeavored to modify his speech, but he could never escape the responsibility of his utterance. It was a declaration in sympathy with the sentiments held by those who believed in enslaved labor, with whom Mr. Buchanan always sympathized. The whole course of the Democratic party has been in consonance with the words used by Buchanan. Always free trade, that party has never ceased to regard labor in this country as any better than the pauper labor of Europe, which subsists on wages which are barely sufficient to keep it alive, and when it is no longer able to make an effort falls naturally into pauperage. There is no reason whatever that the wages of workingmen, skilled mechanics and ordinary labor in this country should be rated as low as those paid in Europe, and what is more, public sentiment, social organizations and the laws of supply and demand will never run them down to such figures. It is true, however, that the policy of the Democratic party has always been to degrade labor, because the history of national legislation shows that it has opposed all measures in Congress for the protection of home industry, and has labored steadily to place American mechanics on a level with the pauper workmen of Europe. It did this for our manufactures when in their infancy. It never made an effort to foster or protect them, and now its leading organ boldly tells the workingmen of the country *that they must make up their minds henceforth not to be so much better off than the European laborer.* What do the iron and steel workers in this city think of such a declaration! How will the miners of Pennsylvania regard this declaration! The Democratic leaders are now calculating on receiving the support of the miners and other workingmen of the State, and at the same time the central organ of the party tells them they must not expect to be better off than the European laborer. It has been the policy of the Republican party to elevate and improve labor. It has been the work of the Republican leaders and organs to defend its interests and uphold its rights that it might rise to dignities which labor in all other parts of the world has never enjoyed. But the Democratic party is for its degradation and the New York *World* is bold enough to proclaim the fact.—Harrisburg *Telegraph*.

THE democrats State Convention of Maine nominated an old republican for Governor, and then proceeded to yell "fraud" more vigorously than ever.

THAT'S a lively fight between factions in the Democratic party. Barr thinks he should be nominated for State Treasurer in accordance with that immemorial custom which brings some member of the Barr family before every Democratic State Convention. Some other people do not coincide with Barr's opinion of his own peculiar fitness for public station and have organized an opposition, the head of which is designated, by the Barr interest, as B.F. Meyers, Esq. It's a pretty fight as it now stands; and with the gauntlet thrown at his feet, Mr. Meyers must wage his fight to win, or he can't be chairman of the State Committee.—Harrisburg *Telegraph*.

— On the day on which the Democratic Convention met at Butler, a little boy was heard to inquire, "What are so many tramps doing in town?"

— Citizens of Pittsburg, Penn., have presented a sword to Gen. Robert M. Brinton, of Philadelphia, and have made up a purse of $1,600 for the family of the late Lieut. J. Dorsey Ash.

— The Cincinnati Enquirer remarks: "West pitched the keynote, but who can catch it?" Well, there are a number of persons who are expecting that the Democrats of Ohio will "catch it" heavily in October.

THE Greenback party of Pennsylvania are to meet in convention at Williamsport, Sept. 19, when, if there is a quorum present, candidates will be nominated for the State offices.

PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATS.

HARRISBURG, Aug. 22.—The Democratic State Convention temporarily organized with Jacob Zeigler as President.

The convention adopted resolutions denouncing the induction of Hayes into office; asserting that the administration had vindicated the Democratic policy of non-intervention in state affairs; claiming the civil service reform project and the Southern policy were a confession of the failure of Radicalism and a tribute to democracy; opposing a special legislation in favor of corporations; protesting against an increase of the federal army and its employ for partisan purposes and to endanger state rights; expressing sympathy with the thousands of citizens deprived of employment; depreciating forcible and recommending political means of redress; denouncing monoplies and protesting against subsidies and land grants declaring that the great transportation companies in overriding the state constitution of 1873 are an object of vigilance and jealousy; reaffirming the financial plank of the St. Louis platform—an attempt to introduce greenback resolutions being ruled out of order.

John Trunky was nominated for Supreme Court Judge, and Wm. P. Schell for Auditor General.

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Is authorized to receive moneys for me; also applications to buy lands. He will give information generally, in any business of this Estate, in McKean County. His office is in the
Prothonotary's Office in the Court House.
ROBT. C. SIMPSON,
Agent of the Trustees.
WELLSBORO, Dec. 24, 1873.

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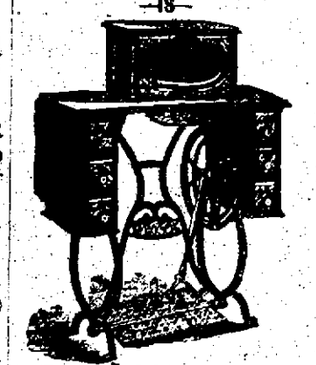

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The M'Kean Miner.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 1877.

Churches.

METHODIST.—J. C. WHITESIDE, pastor. Sabbath School every Sabbath at 9 a. m., and Preaching at 10½ a. m. Class Meeting at 11½ a. m. Prayer Meetings on Thursday evenings at 7½ p. m.

Preaching at Norwich at 3 p. m., and at Clermont at 6 p. m., every other Sabbath. And Preaching at Barrett School House at 2p. m. every alternate Sabbath.

BAPTIST.—O. J. ROSS, pastor. Services Sunday at 10½ a. m., and at 7½ p. m. Sunday School immediately after the morning service. Preaching once in two weeks at the Hafner school house.

EPISCOPAL.—H. Q. MILLER, Rector. Services on the 2d and 4th Sunday of each month at 10½ a. m. and 7½ p. m. Sabbath school at 9 a. m.

St. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Rev. J. F. SMITH, pastor. Mass at 11 a. m. Service at 11.30 a. m. Sunday School at 3 p. m. Services on each alternate Sunday at Smethport and Clermont.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

DISTRICT AND COUNTY.

President Judge.—H. W. Williams, Wellsboro, Tioga Co.
Additional Judge.—S. F. Wilson, Wellsboro, Tioga Co.
Associate Judges.—W. S. Brownell, Smethport; F. N. Burnham, Eldred.
District Attorney.—P. R. Cotter, Port Allegany.
Sheriff.—C. S. King, Smethport.
Prothonotary.—C. K. Sartwell, Smethport. *Deputy.*—J. R. Chadwick.
County Treasurer.—A. H. Mayberry, Port Allegany. *Deputy.*—D. R. Hamlin, Smethport.
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Deputy.—Jno. R. Chadwick, Smethport.
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Regular Terms of Court.—Fourth Monday in February and September, and Third Monday of June and December.

FOR SALE.—A baby carriage, almost as good as new. Will be sold cheap. Enquire at this office.

BRIEF MENTION.

—JOS. E. Butts and family spent the day in Smethport yesterday.

—A good deal of sickness is reported in Bradford, especially among children.

—An exchange truthfully remarks that the great want of the age is want of funds.

—Do not forget the Niagara Excursion on the 29th. Tickets for round trip, $2.75 only.

—It is proposed to change the marriage service to read, "Who dare take this woman?"

—P. Ford, Esq., is making some needed improvements to his residence, raising the roof, &c.

—The Pennsylvania Railroad shops are now working on full time, says the Harrisburg Telegraph.

—Warley Gifford, of the firm of Haskill & Gifford, went to Buffalo Monday. Look out for more new goods.

—L. F Moore is announced as a candidate for the nomination as candidate for County Treasurer in Cameron County.

—The last well completed at Lewis Run, seven miles southwest of Bradford, has proven a good fifteen barrel pumper.

—Owing to the illness of our Bradford representative we are unable to present our regular Bradford correspondence this week.

—The circulation of the MINER has increased more rapidly within the past three months than during any other time in its history.

—We have heard from a very roundabout source the richest kind of a joke on a brother editor over in York State, but we won't print it, George.

—The Bradford borough council has authorized the purchase of a lot and erection of a commodious lock-up, an institution very much needed in that borough.

—The Renova Record concludes that brother Hughes has lost his influence over the McKean Democracy. If such is the case, it is certainly a sad state of things.

—Wm. Ramer, of this borough, has just completed burning a kiln of 150,000 brick. Ramer's brick yard is becoming one of the recognized industries of the borough.

—For Bleeding from the Lungs or spitting of Blood James' Cough Pills should be used and directions followed closely. They will cure Whooping Cough and should be used when any medicine is needed.

—Those who contemplate attending the Niagara Falls excursion of the 29th inst., should by all means purchase their tickets before the evening of the 28th. By this precaution they will ensure comfortable seats.

—You may place implicit confidence in Dr. Fenner's Golden Relief in all cases of diarrhœa, dysentery, cholera morbus, colic, etc., and it will never disappoint you. Also for lame back, kidney complaints, strains, bruises, &c. Price 25c, 50c, and $1.

A young man by the name of Pat. Costello, of Farmers Valley, cut himself very badly Tuesday evening. While sharpening some stakes the axe slipped and entered his hand, nearly severing his thumb and cutting a large artery. He bled very freely. Dr. Brown attended him and put the wounded member in good shape.

—The return game between the Empires and Smethports will be played at Port Allegany to-morrow (Friday) afternoon. It will no doubt be an interesting and closely contested game. The Empires are composed of good material, and it will not be surprising if the result of this game does not decidedly differ from the former.

—Last week we mentioned the extraordinary trout fishing success of A. F. Bodine of Emporium, but have since learned that one of our McKean Knights of the stream can show larger figures even than he. C. V. Gallis, of Kane, has caught during the season just closed 3160 trout! Can any one beat it, honor bright and no lying.

—We have received a sheet of doggerel poetry and see-saw music, entitled "Don't put the poor workingman down," with the request to advertise it. We don't propose to let anybody put us down, and no honest workingman has any fears on that score. The circulation of such stuff is positively harmful and we have no disposition to give it our aid.

—Two children of William Foster, of Dr. Collier, a boy and a girl, were sent after the cows last Thursday evening and lost their way in the woods. A search was instituted and they were found on Friday at the headwaters of Cole creek, about eight miles from home. The boy was 11 years and the girl 7 or 8 years old.

—There was a meeting of the democratic county committee—that is, two or three of them—at this place last Saturday for the purpose of giving Bro. Hughes power to substitute A. M. Benton as representative delegate to the State Convention in his place. The instructions for Barr were not withdrawn, even under the pressure of the delegate's influence over this people."

The Knapp's Creek territory seems to be very puzzling. It is asserted that a good well has been struck, but no one seems to have any positive or definite knowledge about it. Those in a position to know are suspiciously close mouthed. Yet the belief that there is oil in the territory is sufficiently strong to call any number of speculators to the field. The Derrick's Bradford reporter argues that there can be no oil there because the Fisher well "on about the same range from east to west," is a failure. The fact that the Fisher well has since flowed and is proving a good well shows the extreme thinness of this argument.

—The Press is publishing a history of Cameron county from the pen of Hon. John Brooks.

—Insure your life with W. H. Mandeville, Olean, N. Y. tf

—F. N. Jones, of Brooklyn, N. Y., a former and for many years resident of Smethport, is stopping in the borough, a guest of Hon. S. A. Backus.

—We go to press too early to give any news of the action of the democratic State Convention, and can only conjecture as to how far the influence of the McKean democracy goes toward killing off Noyes.

—None but reliable insurance companies represented by W. H. Mandeville. tf

—Hon. Hugh Young, Bank Examiner for Pennsylvania, assures a Philadelphia **Times** correspondent that the Lock Haven bank is amply able and will pay its creditors and depositors every dollar due them.

—There are a great many rumors about the Fisher well. There is no doubt, however, that it is in good oil territory, and would have made a first class well if it had not been tinkered and lawed to death.

—Insure your property against loss or damage by fire with W. H. Mandeville, agent, Olean, N. Y. tf

—The Sartwell well is in sand, with a little oil and an increasing flow of gas. If a sufficient quantity of oil is not found in this sand the well will probably be torpedoed, and with a good prospect of making a good well.

—It seems to be a matter of great surprise to every one who visits the Haskill well that it has not been torpedoed. It is rather singular. There is abundant reason to believe that it will yet prove a good well. It is not a "duster," that's certain.

—Insure yourself against Accidents in the Traveler's Insurance Company, with W. H. Mandeville, agent, Olean, N. Y. tf

—Our friend and neighbor, W. D. Gallup, announces himself elsewhere in this issue as a candidate for the Republican nomination for County Treasurer. We know of no man in the county whom we could more heartily support should he receive the nomination.

—The Keystone Pipe Line has been purchased by the Standard Oil Company and they are laying pipe from Freeport, the present terminus of the line, by way of the bed of the Allegheny river to Pittsburgh. The company will then be independent of the Valley Railroad for the transportation of their crude oil to the refineries.

BASE BALL TOURNAMENT.

At Smethport, Sept. 7th and 8th.

A Grand Base Ball Tournament is to be held in this borough, commencing on Friday September 7th. Seventy-five dollars in purses will be played for as follows: First Best, $50; Second Best, $25. Clubs will take the field according to date of entrance, unless other arrangements are agreed upon by the captains. There will be two games each day at 10 a.m. and at 2:30 p.m. None but McKean county men will be allowed to play. All Clubs will have to be entered on or before September 5th. Entrance fee, ten per cent. of purse, to be paid at the time of entering, or on the morning of Sept. 7th. Admission to grounds, 10 cents for each game. Ladies and carriages free.

All communications will be addressed to Sheridan Gorton, Smethport.

By order of Committee. { S. Gorton, M. A Sprague, Robt. H. Rose.

Donation.

It has been decided by the powers that be to invite the friends of Rev. J. Whiteside to give the worthy pastor of the M. E. Church a donation visit at the parsonage on Wednesday afternoon and evening, the 29th inst., and we are requested to make the announcement and invitation public. We most willingly comply with the request. Rev. Whiteside has served this church and community faithfully and whole-heartedly for two years, while his pay has been ridiculously inadequate for the support of his family. This is in all probability his last year on this charge. He has made many friends here, not only in the church, but among those who class themselves as "outsiders," and there are very few in the community or among his large circle of acquaintances who will not gladly aid in giving the reverend gentleman such a generous donation that he will ever have cause to remember his labors on this charge with pleasure. We look to see a large attendance. Remember the date—Wednesday afternoon and evening August 29.

BASE BALL.

Smethports vs. Empires.

It was expected that the game between the Smethports and the Empires of Port Allegany would be very closely contested. A very different result of the game was looked for by all parties. There had been a good deal of loose talk indulged in to the effect that the Empires would win an easy victory and then claim the championship, and so far as we were able to learn the Smethports rather expected to be defeated, but were determined to hold their opponents down as close as possible. But all such calculations proved to be far estray. The Smethports won an easy victory by a score of more than four to one. N. R. Bard, of Port Allegany, umpired the game, which duty he performed in a very impartial and satisfactory manner. P. R. Cotter and M. L. Armstrong kept the score. Although it was very evident after the first few innings that the Empires were doomed to defeat, yet they kept up their pluck and labored bravely to make their defeat as light as possible. They took their Waterloo in excellent good humor, and created a good impression among all present.

The following is the score:

SMETHPORTS.	R	O	EMPIRES.	R	O
F Brownell c	5	1	Bard c	1	2
G Brownell p	2	3	Randall p	1	3
C Peck 1 b	3	2	Bard 1 b	0	3
F Ramsey 2 b	1	4	Reilly 2b	0	4
N Ramer 3 b	0	5	Schultz 3b	0	4
M Jones ss	2	4	Jordon ss	2	1
C McCarty lf	4	2	Ldbridge rf	0	4
W Peck cf	1	4	Sherrill cf	0	4
E Downey rf	3	2	White lf	1	2
	21	27		5	27

Score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Smethports.	-	2	1	2	3	4	3	2	4	0—21
Empires.	-	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1—5

Removed.

Dr. E. G. Brown has moved his quarters from the Bennett House to rooms over the Post Office, where he has fitted up a fine office with rooms adjoining. He can be found by those needing professional services at these rooms at any time night or day, except when absent on professional duties.

Republican County Committee.

The members of the Republican County Committee are requested to meet at Smethport on Wednesday, the 29th inst., at 2 o'clock p.m., for the appointment of delegates to the State Convention, and the transaction of other important business.

M. A. SPRAGUE, Chairman.

The members of the Committee are as follows:

Annin—F S Bishop. Bradford—Lorenzo Drake. Bradford Borough—Loyal Ward, Ceres—J J Roberts. Corydon—Phillip Tome. Eldred—C C Mosco, Hamilton—Chas Bartholomew. Hamlin—H W Burlingame. Keating—P Gallup. Lafayette—A Anderson. Liberty—O D Vosburgh. Norwich—C W. Dickerson. Otto—W T Strickland, Sergeant—W T Totten. Smethport Borough—Robt H Rose. Wetmore—H M Campbell.

PIPE LINE REPORTS.

Under an act of Assembly the pipe lines are required to give under oath a report of the runs from wells. Following is the report for the quarter ending July 31st. These returns are made under oath, and are assumed to be correct:

*American Transfer Company	38,579 29
American Transfer Company, Bradford Branch	165,109 62
*Antwerp Pipe Company	2,880 64
*Atlantic Pipe Line	34,611 27
Charley Run Pipe Line Company	4,053 18
Cherry Tree Run Pipe Line	26,725 70
Church Run Pipe Company	4,251 80
Columbia Conduit Company	276,948 54
Conewango Pipe Company	13,065 41
Franklin Pipe Line	7,914 10
Karns Pipe Line	41,285 98
Keystone Pipe Company	21,198 17
McKean County Pipe Line	28,977 09
New York and Allegheny Oil Company	12,204 93
New York Pipe Company	18,706 63
Oil City Pipe Company	47,923 78
Octave Oil Company	33,975 85
Olean Pipe Line	147,201 13
Pacific Pipe Line	8,048 09
Pennsylvania Transportation Company	16,430 37
Prentice Y. & Co	1,835 97
Relief Pipe Line Company	33,643 03
Rochester and Oleopolis Company	68,564 42
Rouseville Pipe Line	21,662 31
Smith's Ferry Oil Transportation Co	
Taft & Payne Pipe Line	12,866 36
Tidioute Oil Pipe Company	65,344 26
Titusville Pipe Company	22,430 26
Union Pipe Company	844,618 19
United Pipe Lines, new company	1,223,942 45
United Pipe Lines, old company	100,127 21
*Vandergrift, Pitcairn & Co., Sandy Pipe Line	11,260 45
Warren Pipe Line	24,966 60
Total for quarter	3,103,404 44

RECAPITULATION OF PIPE LINE RUNS.

For quarter ending March 31, 1876	2,606,636 89
" " June 30, 1876	2,223,441 09
" " Sept. 30, 1876	2,411,447 75
" " December 31, 1876	2,384,641 33
Total for 1876	9,086,366 96
For quarter ending March 31, 1877	3,402,162 40

*Transferred to the United pipe lines May 15, 1877.
(Leased to Empire pipe company, May 1, 1877.

THE McKEAN DISTRICT.

Something Regarding Prices.

From the Derrick Special Reporter.

It has been stated frequently through the columns of the Derrick that a serious discrimination in prices exists and operates against the success of operations in this district. It is not the province of the writer to state whether or not this discrimination is just. It is, however, well established, that McKean county oil—that obtained from the regular third sand—is nearly equal in value to that produced elsewhere. It is stated by those refiners who have used it that the only difference disclosed is in the length of time required in the distillation. McKean oil is slower to act both in distillation and agitation, but the result on per centage of refined is about the same, perhaps two and one-half per cent. less. Then the district geographically considered possesses superior advantages over all other districts. That it is located nearer the seaports by nearly 200 miles. This benefits the price fully twenty-five cents a barrel, being more than sufficient to offset the depreciation on per centage, &c. But what are the circumstances? Usually United oil in "market" brings from sixty to seventy-five cents a barrel more than the McKean oil sells for, which, with the twenty-five cents added as difference in freight, swells the total to about one dollar a barrel. "Where does this margin go?" is frequently asked, but echo answers a repetition of the query. In consequence of this state of affairs there is much grumbling among producers, and any scheme of relief possessing the slightest odor of feasibility would be aided to the fullest extent. Doubtless something will be accomplished shortly. The feeling intensifies daily by the fact that it is impossible at times to dispose of a barrel of oil at any price. This is caused by the fact that there are no buyers except the pipe lines, and they buy when it suits and vice versa.

The cause, however, extends further back than to the pipe lines. A New York refining house, it seems, has control of the Erie tank car line, and of course transports and manufactures all the crude taken by that route. The Empire Transportation Company is then responsible for the balance. That a refinery and railroad monopoly can thus plunge into the exchequer of oil producers and help themselves is too ridiculous to think of. An uprising is expected shortly, however, and when it comes there will be a stir in the McKean district such as has not been seen previously.

Grand Excursion to Niagara Falls.

A pleasure excursion and pic-nic to Niagara Falls from Port Allegany, postponed last month on account of the derangement of railroad affairs by the strike, will take place on the 29th of this month, and will afford an unusually favorable opportunity to visit one of the most wonderful works of nature in the world.

Those who have never seen the Falls, and there are very many who have neglected to do so, will scarcely find another occasion when they can make the visit under such pleasant circumstances, and at such a very small expense.

Those who have beheld Niagara in all its wild beauty and magnificence and gazed upon the ceaseless flow of its turbulent waters, need no reminder but their memories, and they will be among the first to avail themselves of this occasion to renew their acquaintance with the Falls.

Ample arrangements have been made to ensure the comfort of all who purchase tickets by noon on Tuesday, the 28th, the day before the excursion, and seats will be provided for all taking this precaution.

The train will arrive at its destination in season to permit the excursionists to enjoy a stop of seven hours at the Falls, and will return at an hour which will enable all to reach their homes before ten o'clock at night. Thus it will be seen that those who absent themselves from their work to participate in the pleasures of this grand pic-nic will not be obliged to lose more than one day on that account. It is seldom that the trip to Niagara and return from such distances as are comprised within the programme of this excursion can be made in one day, and this should not be forgotten.

The places at which tickets for the excursion may be obtained are: Coudersport, Roulette, Port Allegany, Turtle Point, Sartwell, Larrabee, Eldred and Ceres, Pa., and Portville, Weston's, Olean, Friendship, Cuba and Hinsdale, N. Y.

Do not allow yourself to miss this splendid chance. Go by all means, and take the little folks with you, and you will never regret it. —Advt-1p

Dentistry.

Dr. B.F. Lewis will be at this place on Monday next, the 27th inst. All wishing dental services will call at his rooms at the Wright House. He will stay during the week.

Eldred Items.

Married, on Monday, the 20th inst., at the Catholic church, Newell brook, by the Rev. Father Patterson, James Splane to Mary Butler, both of Newell brook.

The next quarterly meeting of the Methodist church, Eldred district, will be held in the school house, Stull-town, on Saturday and Sunday Sept. 1st and 2nd. Rev. L. D. Watson, presiding elder of the district, and other ministers are expected to be present. The quarterly meeting of the methodist church at Texas will be held at the Cook school house, on Saturday and Sunday next. The Rev. Wm. Cantine and other preachers will be present.

Mr. W. Hall has started a livery stable in this village; his horses and carriages can be found at the hotel barn.

There is an excellent opportunity for a good barber to do business in our village. McKean Dennis, the present operator, is entering into a new business and will sell out his chairs, tools etc., at a great sacrifice. This is a good chance for a good steady man.

E. L. Dodd, our new harness maker, is doing a good business and turning out some excellent work in the shape of new harness, and his business is rapidly increasing.

Remember the select school. Term commences Tuesday, the 28th inst. Teacher, G. W. Pettite.

Whooping cough is very prevalent in this section just now among the young folks, but I have not heard of any fatal cases as yet.

Messrs. McNally & Mulvaney are starting a meat market in this village and a suitable building will be erected as quickly as the timber can be got ready.

BASE BALL.—A match game was played on the Larrabee ground on Saturday last between the Modocs of Corryville and the Supplements of Eldred. The game was called at half past 2 o'clock and up to the ninth inning was considerably in favor of the Modocs, the score standing 19 to 9. The Eldred boys were not daunted at this aspect of affairs but braced up and went in for their last inning and some fine batting was shown and runs made fast. The boys scored 18 in this inning, winning the game by 3 score. Supplements, 22; Modocs, 19. J. Euyllart umpired the game and E. Smith and Wm. Windsor were the scorers. Our boys speak highly of the kind treatment they received at the hands of the Modocs and hope soon to have the pleasure of meeting them in another friendly game.

OIL NEWS.—Considerable excitement is manifested all along Knapps Creek by the cry of oil, and lands are now being sold and leased daily. There are now some eight wells drilling and in preparation for drilling along the branches of the creek. The Smith well, as it is called, at the head of the north branch, is not yet finished drilling, but the hole is full of oil and the prospects are that this will be a big well. The Derrick is up on the Rixford farm and the engine, etc. is daily expected. Another well is going down in Berger Hollow. On the south branch the derrick is building on the Baldwin farm and a well drilling a little above that. There are five wells in course of progress on the railroad branch above Duke Centre, one on the Gridley farm and preparations have commenced on the Littlefield farm, 1½ miles west of our village. A boarding house is in course of erection on the railroad branch and a store and hotel at Duke Center.

There was a large gathering of our young folks at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. Dennis on Friday last, to do honor to the birthday of their youngest daughter. Different games etc. were entered into and the young people had a general good time until late in the evening. VERITAS.

FROM OUTSIDE.

—The men on the Pittsburg division, Pennsylvania railroad, have all been paid. Deduction was made for time lost during the strike.

—The Buffalo Academy of Music opens next week. Five thousand dollars have been expended in the way of improving it.

—Gould, of the Cameron Press, does not hesitate to boast that he patronizes the Buffalo free lunch houses to save hotel bills. The man seems actually proud of it.

—The Vicksburg Herald is strong in the belief that in the parishes of Louisiana and counties of Mississippi adjacent to Vicksburg 50,000 industrious laborers could gain a comfortable subsistence from the soil, and still there would be room for more.

—The Olean Record notes the sale by Mrs. S. W. Bradley of her old and handsome homestead property on Union street to Mr. R. W. Evans, the well known Bradford oil operator, who has decided to make that place his future headquarters. The consideration was $7,000.

—The commencement of giving the ten per cent. advance, demanded by the miners in the anthracite regions, has been made at Pottsville, and no doubt, this will be followed by other concessions. Gen. Dinning, one of the managers of the Butler colliery, is reported as saying, in effect, that he did not know the men had such cause to strike until his recent arrival.

—Doctors Colegrove and Day, of Little Valley, held a post mortem examination on the body of a little daughter of Rev. R. D. Hays, of Humphrey, who died last Saturday. The examination revealed an encephalole of the kidney which weighed 10 pounds. The child was only four years old, which makes the case one of the most remarkable on record.—Catt. Republican.

—A quarter barrel of lager beer holds eight gallons, or one hundred and twenty-eight half pint glasses, which, when sold, realizes a profit of $4.90, as a keg of that size only costs $1.50. In a barrel of ale there are thirty-one and a half gallons, or two hundred and fifty-two pints, which retail at five cents a pint. When served out into half pint glasses a barrel of ale that costs $7 realizes a profit of $18 25.

A High Toned Tramp.

Brother Bunnell, of the Tioga Express, has become disgusted with the tramp business. It happened in this wise. One day last week a man who represented himself as a tramp from near Lake Champlain, dropped in and asked for a job. The foreman found him some work for two or three days, but it was remarked that the tramp was accompanied by a full blood English setter dog, and sported a gold watch and chain. When he had completed the work allotted to him, he nonchalantly drew out his card and handed it to the editor, who was most profoundly astonished to find that he had entertained an angel unawares, in the shape of a Massachusetts editor, who was taking a vacation in this county; hence Bunnell has come to the conclusion that all tramps are a fraud.—Blossburg Register.

Bark.

A. H. Cory buys and ships hemlock bark from Smethport, Farmers Valley, Frisbee and Larrabee. May 31 1877. tf

Corydon Sores For It.

A correspondent writes us from Corydon township that they "are going to try the wheel of fortune in the shape of oil." The work of erecting the first rig is commenced. The well is to be put down on warrant No. 3732, known as the T. Conover Mill Lot. The parties interested in the enterprise are said to be from Tarport.

Selling Liquor to Minors—A Scathing Indictment.

Recently three saloon keepers were found guilty, in Chicago, of selling whisky to minors, and received at the hands of the Judge, in passing sentence, the following excoriation:

"By the law you may sell to men and women if they will buy. You have given your bond, and paid your license to sell to them, and no one has a right to molest you in your legal business. No matter what the consequence may be; no matter what poverty is produced by your selling according to law; you paid money for that privilege, and you are licensed to pursue your calling. No matter what families are distracted and rendered miserable; no matter whose wives are treated with violence; what children starve and mourn over the degradation of a parent; your business is legalized, and no one may interfere with you in it. No matter what mother may agonize over the loss of a son, or sister blush at the shame of a brother, you have a right to disregard them all, and pursue your legal calling—you are licensed! You may fit up your lawful place of business in the most enticing and captivating form; you may furnish it with the most costly and elegant equipments for your lawful trade; you may use all your arts to induce visitors; you may skillfully arrange and expose to view your choicest wines and most captivating beverages; you may then induce thirst by all coatrivances to produce a raging appetite for drink, and then you may supply that appetite to the full extent; because it is lawful; you have paid for it—you have a license.

"You may allow boys, almost children, to frequent your saloons; they may witness the apparent satisfaction with which their seniors quaff the sparkling glass; you may be schooling and training them, too, can participate—for this is lawful. You may hold the cup to their very lips, but you must not let them drink—that is unlawful. But while you have all these privileges for the money you pay; this poor, poor privilege of selling to children is denied you. Here parents have the right to say: 'Leave my son to me until the law gives you a right to destroy him. Do not anticipate that terrible moment when I can assert for him no further rights of protection. That will be soon enough for me, for his mother, for his friends and for the community to see him take his road to death. Give him to us in his childhood, at least. Let us have a few years of his youth, in which we can enjoy his innocence, to repay us in some small degree for the care and love we have lavished upon him.' This is something you who now stand prisoners at the bar have not paid for; this is not embraced in your license."

Harry Rhodes Heard From.

Last week we noticed the mysterious disappearance of Harry Rhodes, the well known ex-painter and late soda-water manufacturer of this place.—He started off to Smethport, Port Allegany, and Emporium to collect some accounts, and was last seen on Saturday evening August 4th, standing on the depot platform at the latter place. He had intimated his intention of going either to Driftwood or Ridgway to spend the Sabbath, as he was unable to return home until Monday. Although diligent search was made no further trace of him could be found. After waiting a week for him to return, without any intelligence, his creditors took steps to secure themselves, and on Monday and Tuesday attachments were as plentiful as pop bottles at his late manufactory. Scarcely had their levies been made when his almost heart-broken wife received—on Wednesday morning—a letter from him dated at Houston, Texas, August 11th, just a week after his disappearance. He claimed in this that he was unaware how he got there, or what he had done with the $100 and upwards he had in his possession when at Emporium. He expressed great contrition for his involuntary act, and stated that he should return home as soon and as well as he could, expecting to work his way on some vessel from Galveston to New York. His statement that he did not know anything from the time he left Emporium until he found himself in Texas is regarded as a very thin one, as though he has repeatedly "acted flightly," no one believed he was "out of his head," or insane, for a moment.—What could have been his motive for the freak were he not crazy is beyond comprehension, as it has cost him every dollar he had in the world, besides destroying for him a large and rapidly prospering business.—Olean Record.

Died.

SMITH.—At Ceres, Friday, Aug. 17, 1877, suddenly, Christopher B. Smith, aged 57 years.

HAYS.—In Humphrey, Cattaraugus Co. N. Y., August 8 1877. Minnie C. youngest daughter of Rev. R. D. and J. R. Hays, aged three years, five months and twenty-three days.

Notice.

All persons having unsettled accounts with the late Hon. A. N. Taylor, are hereby notified that said accounts are now in the hands of John C. Backus, who is Attorney for the Executors of the Estate of said Taylor, who will together with one or more of the said Executors make it a point to be at the office of said Backus, in the borough of Smethport, on Wednesday and Thursday of each week, after next week, for the purpose of settling said accounts. All persons having unsettled accounts as above stated, will please be prompt in answering the notice, and thereby save themselves costs.

A. E. TAYLOR,
D. C. YOUNG, } Executors.
F. N. TAYLOR,

Smethport, Pa. Nov. 16, 1876.—tf

E. F. Kunkel's Bitter Wine of Iron.

This truly valuable tonic has been thoroughly tested by all classes of the community that it is now deemed indispensable as a tonic medicine. It costs but little, purifies the blood and gives tone to the stomach, renovates the system and prolongs life. Everybody should have it.

For the cure of Weak Stomachs; General Debility, Indigestion, Diseases of the Stomach, and for all cases requiring a tonic.

This wine includes the most agreeable and efficient Salt of Iron we possess—Citrate of Magnetic Oxide combined with the most energetic of vegetable tonics—Yellow Peruvian Bark.

Do you want something to strengthen you?
Do you want a good appetite?
Do you want to get rid of nervousness?
Do you want energy?
Do you want to sleep well?
Do you want to build up your constitution?
Do you want to feel well?
Do you want a brisk and vigorous feeling?
If you do try KUNKEL'S BITTER WINE OF IRON.

I only ask a trial of this valuable tonic.

Beware of counterfeits, as Kunkel's Bitter Wine of Iron is the only sure and effectual remedy in the known world for the permanent cure of Dyspepsia and Debility, and as there are a number of imitations offered to the public, I would caution the community to purchase none but the genuine article, manufactured by E. F. Kunkel, and having his stamp on the cork of every bottle.

The very fact that others are attempting to imitate this valuable remedy, proves its worth and speaks volumes in its favor. Get the genuine.

E. F. KUNKEL'S.

Sold only in $1 bottles. Sold by Druggists and dealers everywhere. E. F. Kunkel, proprietor, 259 North Ninth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Head and all complete in two hours. No fee till head passes. Seat, pin and stomach worms removed by Dr Kunkel, 259 North Ninth Street, Philadelphia, Pa. Send for circular or ask your druggist for a bottle of KUNKEL'S Worm Syrup. It never fails. Price $1.

$5.00 Reward.

Lost at Smethport, a book containing list of Judgments copied from McKean County Common Pleas. The above reward will be given by me for its return at my store at Port Allegany or for definite information of its whereabouts.

M. A. LILLIBRIDGE.

Aug. 13, 1877.

CAUTION.

WHEREAS, my wife Elsie Marie Sanderson, having left my bed and board I will not be answerable for any debts she may contract in my name after this date.

DANIEL W. SANDERSON.

Knapp's Creek, Pa., Aug. 21, 1877.-3p

LOST.

Somewhere in the Borough of Smethport on the 23d day of August, a note against Michael Doyle, dated latter part of 1876, for one hundred and twenty-three dollars payable to John Doyle or bearer. The finder of said note will be suitably rewarded by leaving it with P. Ford.

MARGARET DOYLE.

Aug. 22, 1877.

STRAYED OR STOLEN

From the premises of the Subscriber in Otto township, Pa., a mouse or roan colored two-year-old mare colt, said colt has three white feet and a spot in the face; has been missing since the 15th inst. Any information will be gladly received, and a suitable reward given by applying to B. G. SPELLER.

Eldred, McKean Co., Pa., Aug. 21, 1877.-3p

NOTICE.

IN the matters of the petitions of Joshua Davis (a creditor, &c.,) for the appointment of an Auditor to state an account of the assets and liabilities of the McKean, Elk and Forest State Road, and distribute the funds of the same, will attend to the duties of his appointment, at an adjourned meeting at the office of P. Ford, Esq., at Smethport, McKean Co., Pa., on Tuesday, the 4th day of September, 1877, at 2 o'clock p. m., at which time and place all parties having accounts against the said road are required to come forward and prove the same, and parties having in their possession funds or property belonging to said road will also appear with account of same.

J. O. BAILEY, Auditor.

Ridgway, Aug. 7, 1877.

MARY SMITH BY HER NEXT } No 167, Feby. T.
FRIEND PATRICK NORTON, } In the Common
VS. GEORGE SMITH. } Pleas M'Kean Co

SUBPŒNA IN DIVORCE.

TAKE NOTICE that the above writ of Subpœna has been issued by order of Court, and you are hereby notified to be and appear at our Court of Common Pleas to be held at Smethport, on the fourth Monday of September next (it being the return day of our next term of Court) and answer the complaint of the libellant filed in the above case.

C. S. KING, Sheriff.

Smethport, Pa., Aug. 24, 1877.-4c

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

THE UNDERSIGNED Administrator of the Estate of the late John Sanderson, deceased, late of Wetmore township, McKean County, Pa., will expose to public sale on the premises all the decedent's real estate to pay debts. Sale to take place on

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1877.

at one o'clock, p.m. The following described real estate, to wit: All that piece or parcel of land situate in Wetmore township, McKean county, Pa., bounded and described as follows, to wit: Being the southwest quarter of three hundred and fourteen acres and fifty-three square perches of land, surveyed by M. Powell, October 11, 1872, described according to said survey, as follows: situate in section No. 72, and being parts of warrantis numbers 3167 and 3170. Beginning in the east line of the said section No. 72 measured from the northeast corner of the same as follows: south five degrees east thirty-two perches; south forty-five degrees east twenty-three perches, and south fourteen degrees east fourteen perches to the corner piece of beginning of the said tract of land, (one-fourth interest in the whole described tract belonging to the said deceased, being already divided, and his part being the southwest corner thereof, containing the whole interest of the said John Sanderstrom, deceased,) and extending thence the following courses and distances, to wit: south twelve degrees east one hundred and three perches; south eight and a half degrees west seventy-four perches; south one and a half degrees east ten perches; south thirty-two degrees west ten perches; south fifteen degrees west sixteen perches; south one degree east sixteen perches; south eighty-seven degrees west three hundred and eighty-nine perches to a run the west line of the said section number 72; north eleven degrees east eleven perches; north forty-four degrees east seven perches; north seventy-nine degrees east six perches; north thirty-five degrees east four perches and three-tenths of a perch; north seven perches and two-tenths of a perch; north forty-seven degrees east eleven perches; north seventy degrees east seven perches and a half degrees east six perches; north seventy-nine degrees east five and five-tenths perches; north forty-two degrees east twenty-five perches; north ten degrees east twelve and five-tenths perches; north thirty degrees east ten and five-tenths perches; north ten degrees east ten and five-tenths perches; north twenty-four degrees east eight perches; north eighteen degrees east twenty-one perches; north fifty-three degrees east ten perches; north fifty-four degrees east eleven and five-tenths perches; north two degrees east ten and five-tenths perches; and thence south eighty-seven degrees east three hundred and twelve perches to the place of beginning, the whole tract containing three hundred and fourteen acres and fifty-three square perches, and the interest of the said decedent being one-fourth, or the south-west portion thereof.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-third cash; the balance in annual payments of one, two and three years, with interest, to be secured by judgment.

J. G. LIDDELL, Administrator.

Aug. 23, 1877.-4p

E. G. BROWN,

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON

Smethport, Pa.

OFFICE AND ROOMS OVER THE POST OFFICE.

Where he can be found at any time day or night, except when attending professional calls.

The Teacher's Institute

OF MCKEAN COUNTY

will be held at Smethport, in the Court House, opening Sept 4th, and closing Sept. 8th, with a GENERAL INSPECTION OF TEACHERS.

The day sessions will be devoted to such exercises as will best fit teachers for more efficient work in the school-room; evenings to Lectures and other exercises of more general interest. By early and special efforts I have secured as

CHIEF INSTRUCTOR AND LECTURER,

HON. S. R. THOMPSON,

State Supt. of Schools of Nebraska;

one of the most prominent, experienced, and successful Institute men in the country. Some instruction will also be given by Co. Supt., as usual, also by Prof. E. A. Brewster, the Preceptress of the High School at Smethport, and persons by other competent and experienced institute workers. No effort will be spared on my part to make this the most useful Institute ever held here. The aid and co-operation of all teachers and citizens is solicited for that purpose.

TEACHERS.—I trust that not one of those expecting to teach in the county this year will neglect this, the greatest opportunity ever offered you for professional improvement in McKean Co.; you need the help you can receive at this institute, for the benefit of those you are to teach, as well as for your own; you cannot afford to be absent.

Directors are especially invited to be present, and a cordial invitation is extended to the public generally.

Board can be obtained, (for ladies) at $1.00 per day at the Bennett House, Wright House, Orrin Gallup's, Dorton Gallup and D. A. Easterbrook's; for Scouts at H. L. Barlingame's; and 15 cents at Mrs. A. Rife's.

W. H. CURTIS, Co. Supt.

Smethport, Aug. 3, 1877.-4p

NOTICE.

The Subscriber having been appointed Receiver for the late firm of Leonard & Morse, all persons indebted to said firm must make immediate payment to me, and claims against said firm will be filed with me for adjustment. I will attend at Kane on the third Saturday of each month for the settlement of said claims.

L. B. FLETCHER.

Kane, Aug. 9, 1877.

ADMINISTRATOR NOTICE.

WHEREAS letters of Administration to the Estate of William W. Griffith, late of Wetmore township, deceased, have been granted to the subscribers, all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment and those having claims against the estate of the said decedent will make know the same without delay to

JOHN P. GRIFFITH,
MISS NIE GRIFFITH,
Administrators.

Kane, Pa. July 26, 1877.-6p

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

This is to give notice that the firm of Hamlin & Sherer has been dissolved by mutual consent, and that all bills for meat payable to said firm contracted during 1876 are to be paid to the undersigned

It is necessary that these bills

M. A. SPRAGUE,

—DEALER IN—

Hardware,

SMETHPORT, PA.

THE FOLLOWING LIST COMPRISES SOME OF THE MANY ARTICLES CONSTANTLY ON HAND:

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Axes,
Augers,
Auger Bits,
Awls,
Axle Clips,
Axle Grease,
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Barndoor Hinges,
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Barndoor Rollers,
Base Knobs,
Bath Brick,
Bed Castors,
Bell Cords,
Beef Pounders,
Bells,
Bench Hooks,
Bench Screws,
Bevels,
Bits,
Blacking,
Blind Butts,
Blind Staples,
Bolts of all kinds,
Bootjacks,
Borax,
Boring Machines,
Brushes,
Buckets,
Bull Rings,
Butts of all kinds,
Candlesticks,
Cake Turners,
Calipers,
Caps, Percussion,
Carpet Stretchers,
Cartridges,
Castors,
Catches,
Cattle Leaders,
Chains of all kinds,
Chalk Lines,
Chalk,
Crayons,
Chisels of all kinds,
Clamps,
Cleavers,
Clothes Lines,
Clothes Wringers,
Coal Hods,
Coffee Mills,
Corn Cutters,
Corn Poppers,
Crowbars,
Currycombs,
Curtain Pins,
Cutlery,
Dippers,
Dividers,
Dog Collars,
Draw Shaves,
Egg Beaters,
Expansive Bits,
Faucets,
Fellow Plates,
Files,
Fluting Machines,
Forks of all kinds,
Freezers,
Fry Pans,
Gate Hinges,
Gauges,
Gimlets,
Glazier's Point,
Glue,
Glue Pots,
Grain Sickles,
Gridirons,
Gunpowder,
Grindstones,
Gun Nipples,
Hammers,
Hand Vises,
Handles of all kinds,
Hasps and Staples,
Hatchets,
Hay Knives,
Hinges of all kinds,
Hoes,
Hooks of all kinds,
Horse Pokes,
Horse Rakes,
Horse Hoes,
Iron of all kinds—Sad, Pinking, Waffle and Tuyere,
Kettles,
Keys,
Knives,
Lamps,
Lanterns,
Levels,
Locks,
Mallets,
Match Safes,
Measuring Tapes,
Meat Cutters,
Molasses Gates,
Mop Sticks,
Mouse Traps,
Mowing Machines,
Nails,
Oils,
Oilers,
Oil Stones,
Picks,
Picture Nails,
Planes,
Pulleys,
Pumps,
Plows,
Rakes,
Razors,
Rivets,
Ropes,
Rules,
Safety Fuse,
Sandpaper,
Saucepans,
Saws of all kinds,
Scissors,
Scoops — Coal and Grain,
Screwdrivers,
Screws,
Scythes,
Sheep Shears,
Shot,
Shovels,
Sieves,
Spades,
Spoons,
Squares,
Stoves,
Tacks,
Tea Kettles,
Tobacco Boxes,
Toe Calks,
Tongs,
Trowels,
Tinware of all kinds,
Vises,
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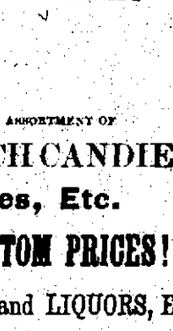
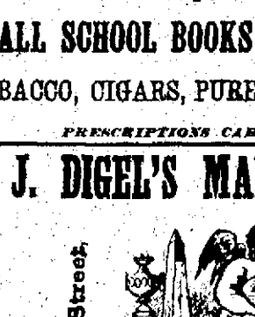
TWO IMPORTANT INVENTIONS

OF INTEREST TO EVERY ONE.

1st. **A PIANO OR PARLOR ORGAN CHAIR,** with an adjustable back,—made to support the back of the sitter while leaning forward in the ordinary position for playing, and by a simple arrangement, which gives it a backward and at the same time a downward movement, follows his motions and supports him in any position without interfering in the least with the freedom of his movements.





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NOTABLE LACES AND JEWELS.

Isabella's Collection—Empress Elizabeth's Emeralds—Wedding Gifts.

The young Countess de San Fernando possesses a lace tanic, the like of which is owned by no other lady in the world, Queen Isabella alone excepted. Her most Catholic majesty has a perfect passion for lace, and possesses a collection which is valued at over $1,000,000. This collection is a perfect museum of lace of all kinds, epochs, and nationalities. One dress alone, composed entirely of point d'Alencon, is valued at $20,000, and there is a set of flounces in antique guipure which is even more costly. Of the Spanish mantilla vails, her majesty owns a large number, some of which are worth from $5,000 to $6,000 each. Queen Victoria's passion is for India shawls, and her collection is said to equal in value the laces of Queen Isabella. It includes shawls the art of making which has long been lost, besides all the finest and most delicate marvels of the India looms of the present day, including webs of golden thread, and embroidered with diamonds and pearls.

In respect to jewels, the Empress of Austria possesses the finest emeralds ever worn by woman. They are mounted in a diadem, necklace and girdle of flowers, the leaves of which are all formed of single emeralds, and the blossoms are composed of diamonds. The Grand Duchess of Saxe-Weimar owns the richest and most perfect collection of jewels in the world. The finest and largest turquoises and pearls that exist are among the crown jewels of Russia; and the finest sapphires in the world form a part of those of England. Bavaria possesses among her crown jewels a parure of pink diamonds that is perfectly unique.

The value of the wedding gifts of Mlle. d'Albe, niece of the ex-empress Eugenie, is said to be $1,600,000. One of these was a cameo ring which belonged to Charles V. Eleven necklaces of brilliants adorned the collection. The Duke d'Osuna, whom she married, is said to be one of the wealthiest personages in the Peninsula.

Among the Earl of Dudley's presents to Miss Moncrieffe before she became his bride, were a diamond diadem which had been the admiration and envy of all Paris, said to be worth $30,000; a bracelet of fifty precious stones of singular purity, which Prince Albert had tried to bargain for in vain; another bracelet with a diamond "of fabulous price" in the center, and a rich collection of varied assortment additionally. On the wedding morning he presented her with a necklace of five rows of pearls of enormous value, and she wore a dress which contained two thousand yards of pointed d'Alencon lace, and employed six hundred hands in the making, and was so costly that the Empress Eugenie, for whom it was intended, was obliged to decline it. The noble acquaintances of Miss Moncrieffe, of course, loaded her with presents, and the inhabitants of Dudley begged her acceptance of a bracelet worth five hundred guineas.

The marriage of the Prince of Chimay, the heir to one of the greatest houses in France, to Mlle. Dejenne, a lovely blonde, with a fortune of five million dollars, left to her by her grandfather, the younger Michel, a once famous banker, not long since elicited much comment. The Paris papers were full of details of her trousseau. Her lingerie alone is valued at 100,000 francs, including twenty-four pairs of sheets, embroidered by hand with the Caraman arms; twenty-four dozen chemises, embroidered and covered with Valenciennes lace, and four lace handkerchiefs with the Caraman arms, each costing from 4,000 to 5,000 francs; a fan in Venice point, enriched with diamonds, and bearing in the center the arms of Caraman and Chimay and among her jewelry is a necklace consisting of one circle of forty-two large brilliants, with their inner circle, each consisting of thirty-seven brilliants, with a magnificent emerald as a medallion and three superb brilliants as pendants.

Taking a "load."

It is pretty well known that during William H. Vanderbilt's youth his father, the commodore, had very little confidence in his sagacity or business ability. Against the advice of some of his friends, he persistently declined the young man's co-operation because he thought him "stupid." A story is current on Staten Island, N. Y., which goes to show how the commodore's eyes came to be opened to the mistake into which he had allowed himself to fall concerning his oldest boy. William owned a farm near his father's, and finding that it required fertilization, he applied to him for some manure.

"How much do you want?" inquired the commodore.

"Oh, about a load," said the son.

"Certainly, I can spare that," was the reply.

When the commodore visited his place the next week, he found that his yards and stables were swept clean of the great heaps of composite which he had allowed to accumulate.

"Why, how is this?" he said to his farmer.

"Your son came and got it," was the answer. "He said you gave him permission."

The commodore went fuming to William, and said in a bustling way: "See here, young man, what have you been about; how dared you to cart off all my manure?"

"You said I could have it," was the rejoinder. "You told me to take aload."

"A load! why, you have got every bit there is."

"I only took a load, father—a sloop load."

The old man's eyes were opened, and he concluded to give the son a "slice" of stock to operate with, and soon after made him vice-president of the Centra road.

The Tower of Bakou.

In the Russian Caucasus is the Tower of Bakou, the point of pilgrimage of the fire worshipers from a period far beyond the era of Mohammedanism. The residents of the tower are earnest advocates of the faith, together with sundry disciples of Zoroaster. Their worship, costumes, and ceremonies are precisely as in ancient times. The tower has no windows. The interior is reached only by subterranean passages. It is an immense building and is surrounded by a high wall. Within this wall and encircling the tower are high columns of flame, which spring from the earth and are made with the naphtha that is found in large quantities in the surrounding soil of the mountains. These fires are kept perpetually burning.

NEWS ITEMS.

What is Doing in the Old World and the New.

A train of cars on its way to Long Branch from New York ran off a bridge across Ocean-port creek and all the cars but one were completely wrecked. Over seventy persons were injured, two seriously..... The Maine Republican State convention, held at Augusta, was called to order by Senator Blaine, and Joseph Drummond was selected to preside. Governor Connor was renominated by acclamation. A scene of confusion followed a *motion* that the resolutions reported by the committee on resolutions be adopted, and an amendment was offered by J. S. Chamberlain commending the Southern policy of the President, while Mr. C. A. Huiselle offered one denouncing it. Speeches for and against both amendments were made by delegates; Mr. Blaine spoke, advising that no action be taken either way, and upon his motion both amendments were laid on the table. The resolutions that were passed expressed alarm at the consolidation of the South and alleged that free political action was suppressed there; denounced the Democratic House of Representatives for refusing appropriations to the army; favored the purity, integrity and independence of the civil service and protection to industry; demanded the resumption of *specie payments*; opposed any further land grants or subsidies for railroads, and affirmed that the States of South Carolina, Florida and Louisiana were fairly and legally carried at the November election for the Republican State and national tickets, and that "for the Democratic party now to raise the cry of fraud is both unmanly and dishonest."..... The Georgia Constitutional convention adopted a resolution in favor of repudiating the payment of bonds issued under the reconstruction government..... The Centennial Exhibition of last year was wound up by the surrender of the government of the bond for $500,000 given by John Welch and Frederick Fraley, and signed by leading citizens of Philadelphia. The bond will be placed in the custody of the Pennsylvania Historical society.

The first telegraph line has been opened in China..... After a prolonged and exciting session the Virginia Conservative State convention nominated F. M. W. Holliday for governor and General James A. Walker for lieutenant-governor, and adopted a platform recognizing the obligations of the State debt and recommending that the legislature endeavor to readjust the same in a manner just to creditors and honorable to the State..... Senator Conkling, of New York, returned home from his European trip..... The sale of a number of French Republican newspapers has been prohibited in parts of France and others have been prosecuted and fined for containing articles and illustrations obnoxious to the administration..... A railroad car filled with passengers jumped the track at Troy, Kansas, and went over an embankment fifteen feet high. Twenty-five persons were injured, some of them fatally..... A large fire in Waco, Texas, destroyed property valued at $125,000, upon which there is an insurance of $80,000..... The steam tug Lyman B. Lyon, towing on the Black river, between Carthage and Lyons Falls, N. Y., caught fire at four o'clock in the morning, and George Roberts, the engineer, and Charles Higby, the pilot, were burned to death.

A force of United States soldiers and citizens, under command of Gen. Gibbon, surprised a camp of Nez Perces Indians in Montana and almost surrounded them while they were asleep. As soon as the Indians had recovered from their first surprise they made a fierce resistance, the squaws fighting as desperately as the men. Gen. Gibbon's force being too small to cover the whole Indian line in his attack, a large number of the savages got away and concealed themselves in the surrounding brush, from where they opened a galling fire upon the whites, forcing them to assume a defensive position, from which the hostiles attempted to dislodge them without success. The fight was kept up for some time, but at length the Indians retreated, having suffered heavily in killed and wounded. The whites had three officers; seventeen soldiers and five citizens killed and about forty-five wounded, among the latter being Gen. Gibbon..... At Jamestown, N. Y., a boy named Anderson was struck by lightning, while in the Sunday school of the Swedish Lutheran church, and instantly killed. An old lady and two children were prostrated at the same time..... Meetings of workingmen have been held in Philadelphia, Cincinnati and other places, for the purpose of forming a workingmen's political party. In Cincinnati a State ticket was nominated, with L. H. Bond for governor..... The British steamer Eten struck on the rocks off the coast of Chili and was completely wrecked, a large number of persons—probably one hundred—losing their lives. About twenty of the survivors took refuge on the rocks and a Chilian gunboat and an English war steamer went to their assistance, but were unable to take them off on account of the rough weather. Several of the survivors on the rocks suffered so terribly from exposure and want of food that they ended their misery by throwing themselves into the sea..... Rev. C. Tagenbay, a Primitive Methodist minister, was drowned while bathing in the river at Platteville, Ont.

In England the cattle plague is on the increase, especially in London and environs, and the Cattle Plague committee of the House of Commons have recommended that stringent measures be adopted to prevent it from spreading further. The disease is very infectious, and too much caution cannot be used to prevent its appearance in the United States..... A party of twelve or fifteen men entered Rio Grande City, Texas, from Mexico, and attacked the jail, mortally wounding the county attorney and two jailers and severely beating another jailer and a woman. They next liberated two desperate criminals imprisoned in the jail, and the whole party then retreated across the Rio Grande river into Mexico. A party of United States troops, with two Gatling guns, pursued the raiders, but did not come up with them, and the American commander, Col. Price, requested the governor of the Mexican town of Camargo to apprehend and deliver up the culprits..... Colonel Joyce, imprisoned under Grant's administration for complicity in the St. Louis whisky frauds, has been released after two years' imprisonment by Judge Krekle, of the United States district court, who was of the opinion that Joyce's sentence of three years and a half was illegal and that he had served the full time for which he had been sentenced.

Henry Morrelli, while performing on the trapeze at a theater in Washington, D. C., fell and broke his collar bone..... The Maine Democratic State convention met at Portland and nominated J. H. Williams for governor. Resolutions were introduced and carried reaffirming and adopting the platform and principles of the National Democratic convention at St. Louis in June, 1876; declaring that "the reversal of the verdict of the American people, electing Samuel J. Tilden President of the United States, was the most monstrous political fraud in history," and calling upon Congress to prepare and submit for ratification an amendment to the Constitution which will render its repetition impossible..... The American rifle team for 1877, to compete in the coming international match, has been chosen as follows: T. S. Dakin, captain; H. M. Jewell, L. L. Allen, W. H. Jackson, L. Weber, F. Hyde, L. C. Bruen, C. E. Blydenburgh, with L. L. Hepburn and T. E. Lamb as substitutes..... A train loaded with excursionists for Bennington, Vt., was run into at Roosic Junction by a freight train and one passenger car was wrecked and six persons were more or less seriously injured..... The New Jersey Greenback party, in convention at Trenton, adopted resolutions denouncing the bondholders and Wall street capitalists, demanding the repeal of the resumption act, denouncing contraction, advocating a larger issue of greenbacks and the remonetization of silver and expressing sympathy with oppressed labor. General Thomas D. Horie, of Passaic, was nominated for governor..... The British Parliament was prorogued on August 14 by the queen, whose speech referred to Russia in terms of defiance.

The whaling whooner Edward Lee, hailing from Provincetown, Mass., was fired into by an unknown gunboat on the first day after her arrival in the port of Cayron on the south side of Cuba. The gunboat is believed to be Spanish, and our government will inquire into the affair..... While a number of men were working about a new oil well at Smith's Ferry, Pa., it suddenly began to flow, throwing oil over their persons. The gas generated was set on fire, and the flames communicated to the men. W. L. Rayl and Charles Ammon died in a few minutes; John Rayl and William McReady were fatally burned, and John Clinton and son were severely hurt..... The Prohibitionist party of New York convened at Utica and nominated candidates for the fall election. Their ticket is headed by Henry Hagner, of Brooklyn, for secretary of State. They also passed resolutions condemning the sale of intoxicating drinks and demanding the suppression of the liquor traffic, opposing the appropriation of money for sectarian purposes, and favoring woman suffrage..... The Independent Greenback party of Pennsylvania will meet at Williamsport on September 19 and nominate candidates for the State election..... A conspiracy against the government has been discovered in Spain and a large number of arrests made..... Bennington, Vt., was filled to overflowing with people from the surrounding country who came to witness the opening exercises commemorative of the one hundredth year of the battle of Bennington. There was a procession—the largest and most imposing ever seen in Vermont—three miles in length and numbering 40,000 people. Flags and triumphal arches with patriotic mottoes were seen everywhere, and the utmost enthusiasm prevailed. Hon. Daniel Roberts delivered the oration of the day. A poem by Mrs. Dorr was read and addresses made by General Banks and others. President Hayes and party arrived during the latter part of the day.

The second day of the celebration of the centennial of the battle of Bennington brought out a crowd of between 40,000 and 100,000 spectators. Bennington, Vt., was filled with strangers from all parts of the country. Among others present were President and Mrs. Hayes, Secretaries Evarts and McCrary, Attorney-General Devens, Postmaster-General Key, and the Legislatures of New Hampshire, Vermont and Massachusetts. The procession was described as "a brilliant and magnificent pageant," and consisted of military and civic organizations from all parts of New England. Its estimated length was three miles and it took upwards of three hours to pass under a triumphal arch. President Hayes reviewed the procession, and made a short address. The oration of the day was delivered by President Bartlett, of Dartmouth College, and the poet was William Cullen Bryant. Short speeches were also made by Secretaries Evarts and Key, Attorney-General Devens and others. The celebration wound up with a grand torchlight procession, in which every citizen and soldier in the town participated..... The Ohio Republican campaign was opened by Judge West, the gubernatorial candidate, with a speech at Bellefontaine..... The Erie railroad officials are arresting all persons taking part in the late strikes on that road who are suspected of obstructing trains or damaging railroad property..... Hon. Raleigh T. Daniel, attorney-general of Virginia, who had just been renominated for the position, died in Richmond after a short illness, aged seventy-two. He had been in public life over forty years, held numerous offices of trust, and was recognized as one of the foremost legal minds of the State..... The British rifle team, which is to compete in the coming international match at Creedmoor, has sailed for the United States..... An express train collided with another train near Uniontown, Pa., and the engineer of the express train was killed and his fireman fatally injured.

Tabby's Curiosity Satisfied.

The Virginia (Nev.) *Enterprise* tells this affecting story: Charles Kaiser, who has the only hive of bees in town, says that when he first got his swarm his old cat's curiosity was much excited in regard to the doings of the little insects, the like of which she had never before seen. At first she watched their comings and goings at a distance. She then flattened herself upon the ground and crept along toward the hive, with tail horizontal and quivering. It was clearly evident that she thought the bees some new kind of game. Finally she took up a position at the entrance to the hive, and when a bee came in or started out, made a dab at it with her paws. This went on for a time without attracting the special attention of the inhabitants of the hive. Presently, however, "old Tabby" struck and crushed a bee on the edge of the opening to the hive. The smell of the crushed bee alarmed and enraged the whole swarm. Bees by the score poured forth and darted into the fur of the astonished cat. Tabby rolled herself in the grass, spitting, sputtering, biting, clawing, and squalling as cat never squalled before. She appeared a mere ball of fur and bees as she rolled and tumbled about. She was at length hauled away from the hive with a garden rake, at the cost of several severe stings to her rescuers. Even after she had been taken to a distant part of the grounds the bees stuck in Tabby's fur, and about once in two minutes she would utter an unearthly "yowl" and bounce a full yard in the air. On coming down she would try to scratch an ear, when a sting on the back would cause her to turn a succession of back somersaults and give vent to a running fire of squalls. Like the parrot that was left alone with the monkey, old Tabby had a dreadful time. Two or three days after this adventure Tabby was caught by her owner, who took her by the neck and threw her down near the bee-hive. No sooner did she strike the ground than she gave a fearful squall, and at a single bound reached the top of a fence full six feet in height. There she clung for a moment, with tail as big as a rolling-pin, when with another bound and squall she was out of sight and did not again put in an appearance for over a week.

A Lady's Life Saved by a Cat.

The Suffolk (Va.) *Herald* says: A few days ago we had related to us an incident which is so inviting to public sympathy, that we deem it appropriate to recur to it in our columns. Some time ago the wife of Mr. Alfred Davis was confined to her room with protracted sickness, and such was the poverty of the poor man that he was unable to procure the necessary nourishment for her; indeed, as Mr. Davis related the case, the wants of his family must have been of the severest and most trying nature, the family subsisting for several weeks on potatoes and salt alone.

During the sad indisposition of Mrs. Davis and her pressing want for delicate food, a common house cat went into the field and caught a hare and brought it to the house. Mr. Davis took the hare and made it into soup for his suffering wife, which caused a rapid improvement in her condition. The day following the same cat again set out on its mission of charity, and succeeded in catching a partridge, which was likewise brought to the house and delivered as was the hare; and thus it was, through the instrumentality of this cat, the life of this unfortunate lady was saved from absolute starvation. The facts of the above can be substantiated as correct, and are given as related by Mr. Davis in person.

Remedy for Poison Ivy.

The *Ohio Farmer* gives the following as an infallible remedy for poisoning by ivy, to which persons who go rambling about in the woods at this season are liable, unless they are acquainted with the shrub. Some persons are so susceptible to its influence that they become poisoned without actual contact with it. The receipt is worth preservation:

Dissolve sugar of lead—a bit the size of a hazlenut—in half a teacup of sweet milk or warm water. Apply as warm as can easily be borne with a soft, linty piece of rag. Three or four applications are sufficient to effect a cure. If the poison is on the face and nearing the eyes or mouth, this astringent wash may be constantly applied. It is a marvelous cure, and by watching closely one can see the fevered blisters turn from white to yellow during the application. This remedy for ivy poison should prevent a great deal of suffering. It is well to keep sugar of lead in the house all the time. Let it be labeled and kept where it can be found the moment it is wanted. Keep it well wrapped up, that it may not lose its strength.

Cremation in Utah.

The details of the incremation of Dr. Winslow's remains at Salt Lake, Utah, are recited by a correspondent. When placed in the furnace at 6:20 P. M. the body weighed 126 pounds. The first appearance was that of roasting; but in twenty minutes nearly all the flesh was consumed, and the bones began to crumble. A half hour later very little could be seen of the form of the body. At a quarter of eight a physician opened the door of the furnace, and but one or two pieces of bone could be seen, and they crumbled under the weight of the ashes. The incremation was completed in the shortest time on record—two hours and thirty-five minutes. The weight of the ashes, which contained a few calcined fragments of bone, was four pounds and eleven and a half ounces. The burning of the corpse was regarded as an interesting town show, for nearly a thousand people stood by while the roasting was going on.

A young lady in a class studying physiology, made answer to a question put—that in seven years a human body became entirely changed, so that not a particle which was in it at the commencement of the period would remain at the close of it. "Then, Miss Lisle," said the young tutor, "in seven years you will cease to be Miss Lisle?" "Why, yes sir; I suppose so," said she, very modestly, looking at the floor.

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Lambs		6¾@	7¾
Cotton	Middling	11 @	11¾
Flour	Western	Good to Choice	6 35@	7 00
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Wheat	Red Western	1 45@	1 47
	No. 2 Milwaukee	1 75@	1 77
Rye	State	80@	86
Barley	State	44@	52
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Pork	Mess	13 75@	13 75
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Wheat—Red Western	1 81@	1 83
Rye	70@	70
Corn—Yellow	53¼@	53
Mixed	51@	51¼
Oats—Mixed	41@	41¾
Petroleum—Crude	7¾@8	Refined	13½
Wool—Colorado	22@	27
Texas	22@	32
California	25@	33

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Beef Cattle	05¾@	09¾
Sheep	05¾@	06¾
Hogs	08 @	09
Flour—Wisconsin and Minnesota	8 00@	9 00
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Oats	38@	39
Wool—Ohio and Pennsylvania XX	30@	33
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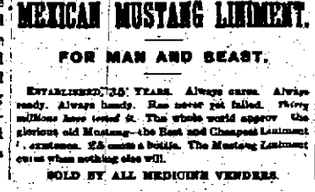
LADIES Beware of  Imitations.

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